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4. The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.15. Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s	121. See attached Notice of Non-C	ompliant Amendment	(PTOL-324).				
5. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be a the non-allowable claim(s).		, timely filed amendn	nent canceling				
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Claim(s) allowed: Claim(s) objected to:							
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2. Applicant's arguments filed 5 January 2006 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

Regarding Applicant's argument that Ginter's digital information is not embedded, it is noted that the definition of any claim term must be viewed in light of the specification. In the case of the instant application, Applicant's specification on p. 19, lines 23-26 specifically identifies as "embedded" information that is at the top of a data structure, entirely in front of the content information with which it is being associated. When this is viewed in conjunction with the showing of embedded content tags that may be before, within, or after the content data, or a combination thereof, in Figure 7, one skilled in the art could only conclude that any information that is transmitted together with associated other data in the same structure as that other data, as Ginter discloses, is "embedded."

Regarding Applicant's argument that Ginter does not disclose automatic updates, the stated grounds of rejection cite such a feature in Ginter, automatic transmission is specifically disclosed in column 168, lines 12-13.

Regarding Applicant's argument that the transmission is not made at a predetermined timing, Ginter discloses periodic transmissions, which, in view of the examples given in the remainder of Ginter's disclosure, are made at predetermined times.

In response to applicant's argument that the references fail to show certain features of applicant's invention, it is noted that the features upon which applicant relies (i.e., "updating with contents utilizing history an information gathering means") are not recited in the rejected claims. Although the claims are interpreted in light of the specification, limitations from the specification are not read into the claims. See *In re Van Geuns*, 988 F.2d 1181, 26 USPQ2d 1057 (Fed. Cir. 1993).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Matthew E. Heneghan, whose telephone number is (571) 272-3834. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM Eastern Time.

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